

WE NEED YOUR HELP

Although the Explorers are in charge of conceiving, developing, and running the post's program, the adult leaders are essential in providing background support in many areas. We always need your experience in both technical and nontechnical activities. You don't need to be a "techie" to get involved—just a desire to have fun and a genuine interest in teenagers. We need help in areas such as:

- Chaperoning Activities**
- Helping with Post Meetings**
- Advising the Newsletter Editor**
- Helping Exploring Activity Committees Plan and Run Their Program**
- Sharing your Knowledge in Computers, Electronics, Robotics, Mechanical and Electrical Engineering**
- Having Fun Working on Projects without a lot of Management Help**
- Building an Electric Car**
- Astronomical Observation**
- Helping to Train the Youth to be Leaders**
- Making Trips and Doing Things that You Could Never Find a Good Excuse to Do Before**

You too can have fun while sharing your favorite hobbies and skills! Come join the youth and adults of Post 1275 in an exciting adventure as we explore new ideas, try new things, and have fun while truly making a difference in our communities and for the future! See ya there!

**JOIN
EXPLORING
&
MAKE A
DIFFERENCE!**

HOW TO JOIN

Membership for adults costs \$10.00 per year, which includes program dues, the post newsletter, national program membership, and liability and accident insurance. You can join at any post meeting. If you want to find out if you are interested in the post, you may try out its activities for 30 days without paying the fee.

If you want more information, contact the post Advisor:

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Who will be happy to answer any questions that you may have about this fun and exciting opportunity to share your skills and expertise and to do community service in a way that can really impact the future!

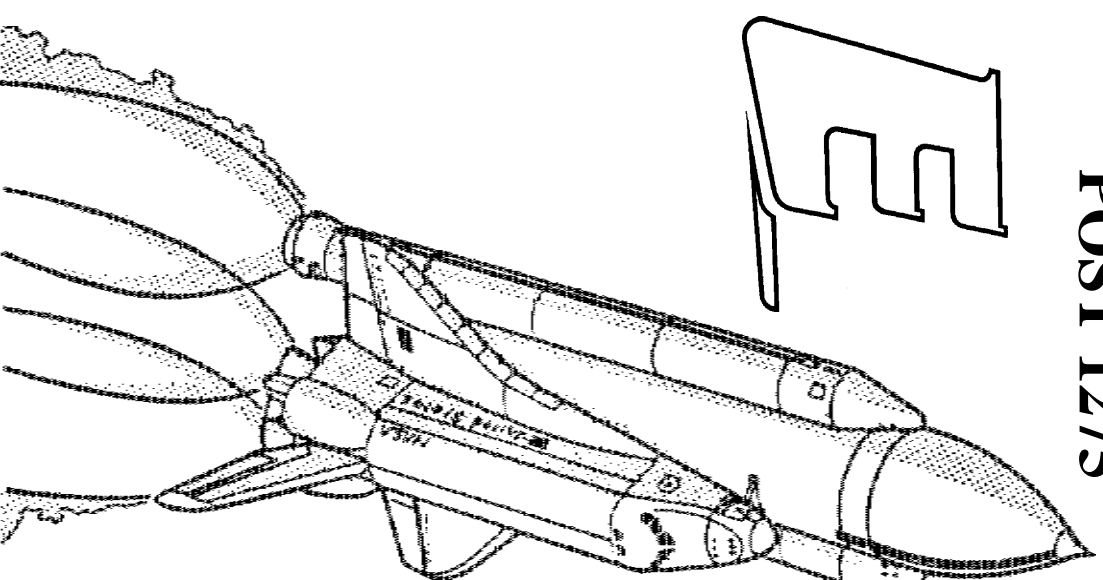
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ADULTS

EXPLORING POST 1275



GODDARD EXPLORER CLUB
NASA GODDARD SPACE FLIGHT CENTER
GREENBELT, MARYLAND

WHAT IS EXPLORING?

Exploring is a nationwide coed program for young adults from ages 14 through 20. The program centers on the hobby and career interests of its members. Exploring consists of over 500 thousand members nationally, divided into groups called posts. These posts are sponsored by local schools, businesses, or community organizations which provide equipment and other resources for use by the post members. Most important, adult leaders donate their time to work with post members to provide support and advice to run the post's activities. Any interested youth or adult can join Exploring.

WELCOME TO EXPLORER POST 1275

Explorer Post 1275, sponsored by the NASA Goddard Explorer Club, has an active program of technical and fun activities.

The post meets at Goddard on each Wednesday night of each month and for some additional activities monthly throughout the year. Some of these meetings are on technical topics; others are fun activities. In addition to the monthly meetings, the post runs a series of technical interest groups. Currently these groups include:

Computers
Electronics
Astronomy
Audio Visual
Electric Car

The technical groups can change depending on the interests of the current post members.

Each Explorer post is run by elected officers who run the operations and program of the post. Basically, the youth run the show. The adults are on hand to ensure that the programs run smoothly and are a success.

HANDS-ON PROGRAM

The post program is developed from specific things that the post members are interested in doing. While the programs are created and run by the Explorers, it is important to have guidance and support from adult leaders. These programs are designed so each post member and adult has an opportunity to be active throughout the year.

NASA, along with the scientists and engineers, provide technical equipment which will be used during the year. The post also looks to the other adult leaders for support on technical programs and other activities.

During the 2001 program year, the post members have selected a broad group of activities as part of their post program. These include:

Laser Ranging
Nuclear Physics
Video Editing
Making an Electric Car
Star gazing
Web Page Design

We also do a lot of other things in addition to the technical activities. Some of the non-technical activities planned for the 2001 program year include:

Water Gun Wars
Trips
Activities With Other Posts
Post Reunion

Since the Exploring program is associated with the Learning for Life educational subsidiary Boy Scouts of America, we can also participate in the local and national Exploring activities such as:

Program Conferences
Training Events
Awards Banquets
Service Projects
Local and National Exploring Events

When you join the post you will be kept informed of the post's activities via the post's monthly newsletter. In addition, you will receive other Exploring publications to keep you up-to-date on all the latest information.

SERVICE

In addition to the many other activities that Post 1275 does during the year, it also offers many opportunities for community service.

Each year, Post 1275 participates in the Scouting for Food project run by the Boy Scouts of America. Non-perishable food is collected to restock area food banks.

Explorer Post 1275 is often called upon to assist with community events such as the Prince George's Area Science Fair, and Goddard Community Day. These activities can provide valuable education and contacts in the science field as well as the good feeling that comes from helping others.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

One of the key purposes of our program is to expose the young adults to the life skills needed for them to be successful as adults in our society.

We provide them the opportunity to learn how to manage and lead their activities, as well as the interpersonal skills needed to work with others.